

CITY OF LOCKPORT
COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting
Official Record

October 22nd, 2025
6:00 P.M.

Mayor John Lombardi III called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The following Common Council members answered the roll call:

Aldermen Fogle, Craig, Lupo, Mullane, Devine, Kirchberger

INVOCATION – Pastor Wayne Dent

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESS

Recess for public input.

102225.1

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Alderman Craig seconded by Alderman Devine the minutes of the Regular meeting of October 8th, 2025 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 6.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor announced a public hearing on the City of Lockport, NY's 2026 Budget.

The Mayor asked the City Clerk if any petitions or communications relative to said 2026 Budget have been received.

Recess for public input.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor announced a public hearing confirming Refuse & Recycling Re-levy.

The Mayor asked the City Clerk if any petitions or communications relative to said Re-levy have been received.

Recess for public input.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

FROM THE MAYOR

Appointments:

10/6/2025 Adam Wagner, 9017 Brookside Drive, Niagara Falls, NY 14304 has been appointed to Public Works Equipment Mechanic for the Highway and Parks Department. The appointed is permanent and subject to the City of Lockport Municipal Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

10/7/2025 Joel Diel, 4535 County Line Road, Holley, NY 14470 has been appointed to Waste Water Treatment Plant Assistant Chief Operator. Said appointment is provisional and subject to the City of Lockport Municipal Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

FROM THE CITY CLERK

The Clerk submitted payrolls, bills for services and expenses, and reported that the Department Heads submitted reports of labor performed in their departments.

Reviewed by the Finance Committee.

Communications (which have been referred to the appropriate City officials)

10/1/2025 Emily Stoddard, City Clerk – notification of bids received on October 1st in response to RFP for Chemicals for Municipal Water Treatment Facility.

Contractor Name	Phone Number	Service	Bid amount
JCI Jones Chemical	585-538-2314	Chlorine	\$2900/ton
Univar Solutions USA, Inc.	800-531-7106	Hydrofluorosilicic Acid	\$5/gallon
Kemira Water Solutions	519-759-7570	Polyaluminum Chloride	\$2.49/gallon
USALCO	410-354-0100	Polyaluminum Chloride	\$2.4087/gallon

10/8/2025 Emily Stoddard, City Clerk – notification that the Lockport Municipal Building will be closed the following days in November:

Tuesday, November 4th

Election Day

Tuesday November 11th

Veterans Day

Thurs. & Fri., November 27 & 28th
will be delayed one day)

Thanksgiving Holiday (garbage services

10/14/2025 Letter received from Philicia Swanson regarding a city tree complaint at 362 Ohio Street.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

102225.2

By Alderman Craig:

Resolved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to issue orders in favor of the claimants for payrolls, bills and services to be paid on October 23rd 2025.

Seconded by Alderman Mullane and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.3

By Alderman Lupo:

Whereas the City Treasurer submitted to the Common Council all delinquent assessments, penalties, charges or fees and any other amounts to be added to taxes; and

Whereas the Common Council conducted a public hearing on October 22nd, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, New York in accordance with section 155-7 A (Solid Waste) of Chapter 158 of the City Code to confirm the delinquent accounts to re-levy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the following delinquent accounts totaling \$205,533.88 are hereby confirmed and shall be inserted in the annual tax rolls and be a part of the annual tax upon said parcels against which such amounts are charged and shall be subject to all the provisions of the City Charter.

<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Refuse	\$189,573.88
Relevy Late Fees	\$ 15,960.00
 Total Relevy	 \$205,533.88

Seconded by Alderman Kirchberger and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.4

By Alderman Fogle:

Whereas the City of Lockport is committed to maintaining a workplace and municipal environment free from all forms of sexual harassment and unlawful discrimination; and

Whereas the City of Lockport enacted a comprehensive Sexual Harassment and/or Discrimination Policy in 2018, in compliance with New York State laws and best practices; and

Whereas it has been determined that the current complaint form used by the City is outdated and does not fully reflect the procedures, definitions, and protections contained within the 2018 policy; and

Whereas an updated complaint form has been developed by the City's Personnel Office in consultation with legal counsel to ensure consistency with the 2018 policy and to improve accessibility, clarity, and effectiveness in reporting and responding to complaints;

Now therefore be it resolved, by the Common Council of the City of Lockport, New York, that the updated Sexual Harassment and/or Discrimination Complaint Form attached is hereby approved and adopted for official use by all City departments and employees.

Seconded by Alderman Mullane and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.5

By Alderman Devine:

Whereas the City of Lockport advertised for bid proposals for chemicals for municipal water treatment for the 2026 calendar year, and

Whereas the following bids were received and publicly opened by the City of Lockport on Wednesday October 1st at 11:00 am:

JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc., \$2,900 per ton for chlorine;
Univar Solutions USA, Inc., \$5/gallon of Hydrofluorisisic Acid;
Kemira Water Solutions, \$2.49/gallon Polyaluminum Chloride;
USALCO \$2.4087/gallon Polyaluminum Chloride.

Whereas the contracts will be awarded solely from the bids received; and

Whereas the Chief Water Treatment Plant Operator has reviewed the bids and recommends awarding the contract to each of the low bidders; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Mayor, subject to Corporation Counsel approval, is hereby authorized and directed to sign contracts with JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. for chlorine, Usalco for polyaluminum chloride (PAC), and Univar Solutions USA, Inc. for hydrofluorosilicic acid (fluoride) for January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

Seconded by Alderman Lupo and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.6

By Alderman Kirchberger:

Whereas the City of Lockport Police Department has been awarded a grant through the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance's Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program to provide funding for the purchase of bulletproof vests; and

Whereas the **2025 General Fund Budget** must be amended to accommodate this grant;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the 2025 General Fund Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense:

Increase:

A.3120.52070	Public Safety Equipment	\$6,594.08
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Revenue:

Increase:

A.3120.34389	Other Federal Public Safety Aid	\$6,594.08
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Seconded by Alderman Craig and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.7

By Alderman Lupo:

Whereas the Common Council previously approved Resolution No. 072325.7, which authorized a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the City of Lockport and the Police Chief, regarding the terms of his employment contract;

Whereas the implementation of said resolution necessitates payments to cover increased expenditures for the Police Chief's compensation, including retroactive wages for the period of January 1, 2025 through September 11, 2025, as well as budgeted wages for the period of September 12, 2025 through December 31, 2025; and

Whereas the City of Lockport is committed to maintaining a balanced budget while meeting its contractual and operational obligations;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the FY 2025 General Fund Budget is amended as follows:

Expense:

Decrease		
A.1900.54775	Contingency	\$40,576
Increase		
A.3120.51010	Full Time Wages	\$29,055
A.3120.58010	FICA	\$2,223
A.3120.58050	Retirement	\$9,298

Seconded by Alderman Kirchberger and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.8

By Alderman Craig:

Whereas the Common Council previously approved Resolution No. 072325.8, which authorized a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the City of Lockport and the Hickory Club Benevolent Association, regarding the terms of a Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA") intended to take place from the date of expiration of the prior CBA through December 31, 2026;

Whereas the implementation of said resolution necessitates payments to cover increased expenditures for police department personnel, including retroactive wages for the period of January 1, 2024 through August 28, 2025, as well as budgeted wages for the period of August 29, 2025 through December 31, 2025; and

Whereas the City of Lockport is committed to maintaining a balanced budget while meeting its contractual and operational obligations;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the FY 2025 General Fund Budget is amended as follows:

Expense:

Decrease		
A.1900.54775	Contingency	\$574,479
Increase		
A.3120.51010	Full Time Wages	\$365,150
A.3120.58010	FICA	\$40,388
A.3120.58050	Retirement	\$168,941

Seconded by Alderman Mullane and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.9

By Alderman Craig:

Whereas the City of Lockport received \$307,783 in Temporary Municipal Assistance from New York State in August 2025, which was recorded in revenue line A.0000.33089 – Other General Government State Aid; and

Whereas this funding was not anticipated in the adopted 2025 General Fund Budget; and

Whereas the City wishes to utilize these funds to replenish the General Fund Contingency account;

Now therefore be it resolved, that the 2025 General Fund Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Revenue:

Increase

A.0000.33089	Other General Government State Aid	\$307,783
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Expense:

Increase

A.1900.54775	Contingency	\$307,783
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Seconded by Alderman Mullane and adopted. Ayes 6.

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By Alderman Lupo:

Resolved that Friday, October 31, 2025 is hereby designated as Halloween Day in the City of Lockport, with the hours for trick or treating scheduled from 4 pm to 7 pm.

Seconded by Alderman Mullane and adopted. Ayes 6.

102225.10

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:33pm Alderman Fogle moved the Common Council be adjourned until 6:00pm Wednesday, November 5th, 2025.

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 6.

EMILY STODDARD
City Clerk